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DEPT PASS ONR FOR CHIEF OF NAVAL RESEARCH

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SUBJ: INAUGURATION OF NEW LABORATORY OF BIOPHYSICS INSTITUTE

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN ADVISED BY DR. ADOLFO PORTELA, HEAD OF BIOPHYSICS INSTITUTE THAT ARGENTINE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL (CONICET) WISHES TO INVITE REAR ADMIRAL GEIGER, CHIEF OF NAVAL RESEARCH, AND DR. THOMAS ROZZELL OF ONR TO VISIT ARGENTINA TO ATTEND THE CEREMONY INAUGURATING THE NEW FACILITIES OF THE INSTITUTE ON CALLAO AVE. IN BUENOS AIRES.

2. THE INAUGURATION WOULD BE SCHEDULED SOMETIME BETWEEN FEB. 15 AND APR 10, 1976, AND EXACT DATE COULD BE SET AT CONVENIENCE OF MESSRS. VAN GEIGER AND ROZZELL.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SPACE FOR THESE NEW QUARTERS WAS PROVIDED BY ARGENTINE ARMY IN AN EXISTING BUILDING, AND THAT WILL PERMIT CONSOLIDATION OF PREVIOUSLY DISPARATE FACILITIES UNDER ONE ROOF. HOUSED TOGETHER WILL BE THE LABORATORY OF MICROWAVE EFFECTS RESEARCH AND THE INSTITUTE.

4. CONICET OFFERS TO PROVIDE THE AIR TICKETS AND TO COVER ALL LOCAL PER DIEM COSTS FOR VAN GEIGER AND ROZZELL. WE UNDERSTAND THAT ARGENTINE ARMY, JOINS CONICET IN ISSUING

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THIS INVITATION.

5. COMMENT: AS ARGENTINE NAVY R&D SERVICE (SENID) IS CLOSEST COUNTERPART TO ONR HERE, WE RECOMMEND THAT VISITORS ALSO MEET WITH SENID OFFICIALS AND VISIT ARGENTINE NAVY R&D FACILITIES AS WELL, ARMED FORCES RESEARCH CENTER (CITEFA). WE FEEL THIS COULD EASILY BE ACCOMPLISHED ON SAME TRIP. ONR MAY WISH EXPLORE THIS IDEA WITH SENID SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR MARIO PIO GOMEZ, WHO CURRENTLY VISITING U.S. AT INVITATION OF ONR.

6. ADVISE.
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